



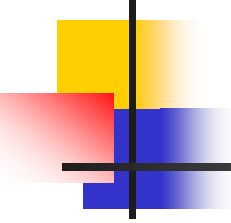
Year in Review

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2008 DE Fatal Traffic Stats

- 122 Fatalities (up from 118)
- 106 Crashes
- 42 (34%) Alcohol Related – down 12%
- 54 (51%) Aggressive Driving Fatal Crashes - down 10%

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- 40 of 79 (51%) Seat Belts Not Used (an increase)
 - 16 Motorcycle deaths (7 helmets not worn)
 - 22 Pedestrian Deaths (up by 5)
 - 5 bicyclists killed (up from 0 in 2007)



Good News

- Alcohol related and speed deaths down
- Highest seat belt use rate ever – 91% up from 87% in 2007 (national rate is 82%)



Challenges

- Pedestrians – focus on safe walking
- Unbelted fatalities higher than last year though seat belt use at all time high
- Motorcycle deaths still a concern – focus on speed reduction
- Alcohol – related deaths down but must not assume we have it conquered



Legislatively speaking

- Bills passed –
 - Bike helmet bill (up to age 18)
 - GDL changes – employer can't sponsor but social worker can, sponsors/parents can be fined or jailed for knowingly allowing unsupervised driving by teens



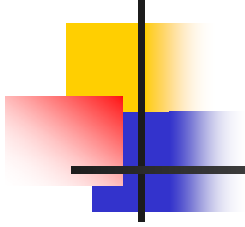
Legislatively speaking

- Bills that didn't pass:
 - Open container
 - Texting bill
 - Raise driving age to 17
 - Mandatory license suspension for underage possession/consumption of alcohol
 - Pedestrian crosswalk bill



Possible Safety Bills

- Rep. Miro – ban on texting, hand held cell phones
- Mandating attendance at GDL Parent Orientation Program
- Change DUI law so that hard revocation is 45 months instead of 1 year as long as agree to install Ignition Interlock (IID) in vehicle



Questions?